silken cocoons. Still others have gone a step further and cut a case from the mine including the cocoon. This occurs in *Phyllotoma* (Hymenoptera) and *Coptodisca* and *Antispila* (Lepidoptera). Still others make an exit through a hole in the leaf and fall to the ground where they may or may not form cocoons.

Description of a New Species of Plagiognathus from the Eastern United States (Hem., Miridae.)*

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Plagiognathus ilicis new species.

Distinguished from all described species by the short rostrum and pale tibiae with brownish spines; color nearest that of blatchleyi var. nubilus Kngt., but scutellum fuscous and size smaller. Distinguished from Microphylcllus by the pubescence,

shorter head, and more robust form of body.

d. Length 3.4 mm., width 1.5 mm. Head: width .77 mm., vertex .37 mm.; shorter and more vertical than obscurus Uhler. Rostrum, length 1.07 mm., just attaining posterior margins of intermediate coxae, yellowish, apex blackish. Antennae: segment 1, length .20 mm.; II, .95 mm.; III, .53 mm.; IV, .31 mm.; greenish yellow, apical half of segment II becoming dusky, last two segments brownish to fuscous. Pronotum: length .63, width at base 1.21 mm.

General coloration vellowish to greenish vellow, anterior and narrow lateral margins of pronotal disk more greenish, basal half of disk fusco-brownish; scutellum fuscous, narrow base and mesoscutum yellow; hemelytra pale yellowish translucent, apical half of corium and embolium pale fuscous to fuscous, apical half of clavus pale fuscous; cuneus yellowish translucent, inner basal angle pale translucent; membrane uniformly light fusco-brownish, nearly clear bordering apex of cuneus, veins nearly concolorous with membrane. Clothed with simple, rather soft, vellowish to golden brown pubescence, becoming fusco-brownish on dark apical area of corium. Ventral surface yellowish to greenish yellow, xyphus pale green. Legs rather uniformly pale yellowish, femora rather obscurely dotted with small, pale fuscous spots; tibiae pale, impunctate, spines vellowish brown, with barely a trace of brownish at base of spines; tarsi pale vellowish, clavus brown. Genitalia distinctive of the species, right clasper and the later-

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ally directed apex of aedeagus very similar to *obscurus* Uhler. but the left clasper broadly projecting laterally, the dorsal surface broadly sulcate and loosely clasping the tip of aedeagus.

2. Length 3.7 mm., width 1.53 mm. Head: width .77 mm., vertex .41 mm. Antennae: segment II, length .88 mm. Pronotum: length .71 mm., width at base 1.38 mm. More robust than the male and lighter colored; dorsum rather uniformly yellowish, hemelytra paler and sub-translucent, scutellum and a cloud on apical area of corium fusco-brownish; membrane and veins uniformly pale.

Holotype: & July 13, 1920, Ringwood, near Ithaca, New York (H. H. Knight); author's collection. Allotype: same data as the type. Paratypes: a good series taken with the types on Ilex verticillata found growing in the bog at Ringwood near Ithaca; specimens deposited in the Cornell University collection, U. S. National Museum collection, and the Iowa State College collection.

In some respects this species is intermediate between *Plagiognathus* and *Microphylellus*, while the left genital clasper is of a form quite different from either genus. The general form, color and pubescence is that of *Plagiognathus* while the tibial characters approach *Microphylellus*; the yellowish brown spines with brownish at base of each which scarcely forms distinct spots, may cause some difficulty in tracing *ilicis* through the generic key.

A New Species of Trogus (Hym.: Ichneumonoidea).

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Trogus nigrocinctus n. sp.

Holotype: One male specimen collected by J. H. Comstock and now in the collection at Cornell University.

Head: Entirely black. Clypeus flat: lateral edges but slightly

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An extract from a paper on the Species of *Trogus* of America North of Mexico, presented as a thesis for the degree of Master of Science by Mr. Hasey. Mr. Hasey lost his life in the war, and his thesis has never been published as a whole. This extract is given in connection with the publication of the New York State List of Insects—H. T. Fernald.